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ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

Office of General Counsel

September 27, 2005

Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 - 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

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Re:

CC Docket No. 96-45

In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service Federal High-Cost Support Certification for Rural Carriers in Illinois

Dear Secretary Dortch:

Pursuant to its May 23, 2001 Rural Task Force ("RTF") Order in the above-referenced proceeding, the Commission required states that wish to receive federal universal service highcost support for rural carriers within their boundaries to file a certification with the Commission and USAC stating that all federal high-cost funds flowing to rural carriers in that state will be used in a manner consistent with Section 254(e). The Commission ruled that states should be required to file annual certifications with the Commission to ensure that carriers use universal service support "only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended," consistent with Section 254(e).

This filing comports with the Commission's requirement. It lists the rural carriers operating in Illinois that have certified to the Illinois Commerce Commission that all federal universal service support will be used solely for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. /- Copies rec'rl In order to meet the certification requirement, the ICC asked carriers to sign and return a notarized affidavit attesting to the proper use of the federal universal service support. All carriers signed and returned the affidavits. Below is the list of carriers that successfully returned the affidavits. Attached to this letter are copies of the carriers' affidavits for your review.

September 27, 2005

Sincerely,

ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

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cc: Irene M. Flannery

Universal Service Administrative Company

2120 L Street, NW - Suite 600 Washington, DC 20037

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Illinois Certified Rural Carriers

Encl.

LIST OF CERTIFIED RURAL CARRIERS

ADAMS TELEPHONE CO-OPERATIVE

ALHAMBRA-GRANTFORK TELEPHONE CO.

BERGEN TELEPHONE CO.

C-R TELEPHONE COMPANY

CAMBRIDGE TELEPHONE CO.

CASS TELEPHONE COMPANY

CITIZENS TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY OF ILLINOIS

CLARKSVILLE MUTUAL TELEPHONE CO.

CROSSVILLE TELEPHONE CO., INC.

EGYPTIAN TELEPHONE CO-OPERATIVE ASS'N.

DIVERSE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

EL PASO TELEPHONE COMPANY

FLAT ROCK TELEPHONE CO-OP, INC.

FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS - DEPUE, INC.

FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS OF ILLINOIS, INC.

FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS OF LAKESIDE, INC.

FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS - MIDLAND, INC.

FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS OF MT. PULASKI, INC.

FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS OF ORION, INC.

FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS - PRAIRIE, INC.

FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS - SCHUYLER, INC.

GALLATIN RIVER COMMUNICATIONS, L.L.C.

GENESEO TELEPHONE CO.

GLASFORD TELEPHONE COMPANY

GRAFTON TELEPHONE COMPANY

GRANDVIEW MUTUAL TEL.

GRIDLEY TELEPHONE CO.

HAMILTON COUNTY TELEPHONE CO-OP

HARRISONVILLE TEL. CO.

HENRY COUNTY TELEPHONE CO.

HOME TELEPHONE COMPANY

ILLINOIS CONSOLIDATED TELEPHONE COMPANY

KINSMAN MUTUAL TELEPHONE CO.

LAHARPE TELEPHONE CO. INC.

LEAF RIVER TELEPHONE COMPANY

LEONORE MUTUAL TELEPHONE COMPANY

MCDONOUGH TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE

MCNABB TELEPHONE CO.

MADISON TELEPHONE COMPANY

MARSEILLES TELEPHONE COMPANY

METAMORA TELEPHONE COMPANY

MID CENTURY TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE

MONTROSE MUTUAL TEL. CO.

MOULTRIE INDEPENDENT TELEPHONE COMPANY

NEW WINDSOR TELEPHONE COMPANY

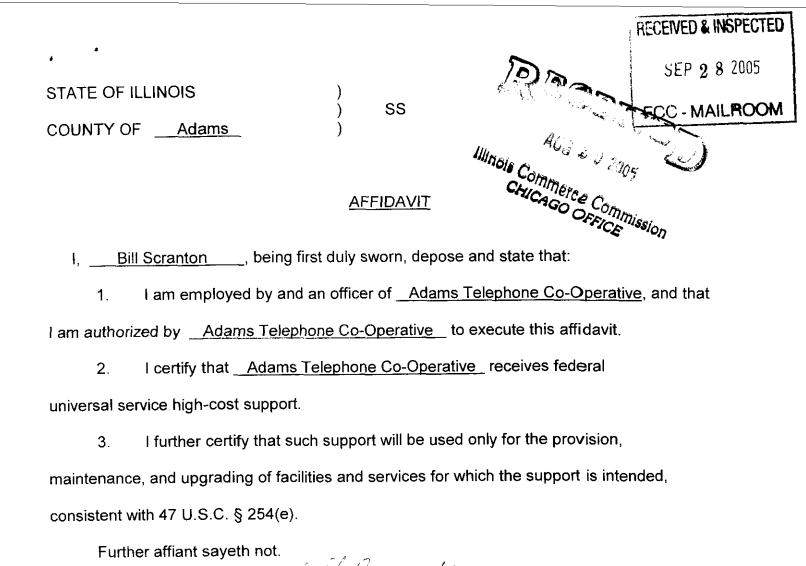
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REYNOLDS TELEPHONE CO.
SHARON TELEPHONE CO.
SHAWNEE TELEPHONE COMPANY
STELLE TELEPHONE CO.
TONICA TELEPHONE COMPANY
VERIZON SOUTH, INC.
VIOLA HOME TELEPHONE CO.
WABASH TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.
WOODHULL COMMUNITY TELEPHONE CO.
YATES CITY TELEPHONE COMPANY

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Subscribed and sworn to me this 23th day of August 2005.

Notary Public, State of Illinois My Commission Expires 04/20/07

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	<u>AFFIDAVIT</u>	Illinois Commerce Commission CHICAGO OFFICE
I, <u>Alvin Wilkening</u> ,	being first duly sworn, de	epose and state that:
I am employed by and are	n officer of Alhambra-Gran	Co. ntfork Telephone , and
that I am authorized by Alhambra-Gran	Co. <u>ntfork Telepho</u> to execute	e this affidavit.
2. I certify that Alhambra-G	cantfork Telephone Co.	receives federal
universal service high-cost support.		
 I further certify that such 	support will be used only	for the provision,
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I, DeAnna Miller , being first de	uly sworn, depose and state that:
I am employed by and an officer of	Bergen Telephone Co. , and
that I am authorized by Bergen Telephone Co	. to execute this affidavit.
2. I certify that Bergen Telephone C	o receives federal
universal service high-cost support.	
 I further certify that such support will I 	oe used only for the provision,
maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service	es for which the support is intended,
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I, Scott D. Rubins	, b	eing first d	uly swoı	rn, depose and state that:
1. I am employe	ed by and an	officer of _	Cambrio	dge Telephone Co., and
that I am authorized by	Cambridge Te	elephone Co	o to ex	ecute this affidavit.
2. I certify that _	Cambridge	Telephone	Co.	receives federal
universal service high-cost	support.			
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RUTH A. EAKER
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF ILLINOIS
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e that:

- s Telephone Company , and that I am authorized by Cass Telephone Companyto execute this affidavit.
- I certify that Cass Telephone Company receives federal 2. universal service high-cost support.
- I further certify that such support will be used only for the provision, 3. maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).

Further affiant sayeth not.

Vonald & Bell

Subscribed and sworn to me this 18th day of August 200₅

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- I, Gregg C. Sayre, being first duly sworn, depose and state that:
- I am employed by and an officer of Citizens Telecommunications
 Company of Illinois and that I am authorized by Citizens Telecommunications Company
 of Illinois to execute this affidavit.
- 2. I certify that Citizens Telecommunications Company of Illinois receives federal universal service high-cost support.
- 3. I further certify that such support will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).

Further affiant sayeth not.

Signature

Subscribed and sworn to me this 17th day of August 2005.

Notary Public

HOLLY M. JAMES
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Monroe County
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- I, Patrick L. Morse, being first duly sworn, depose and state that:
- 1. I am employed by and an officer of C-R Telephone Company, and that I am authorized by C-R Telephone Company to execute this affidavit.
- 2. I certify that C-R Telephone Company receives federal universal service high-cost support.
- 3. I further certify that such support will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).

Further affiant sayeth not.

Signature

Subscribed and sworn to me this 19th day of August 2005.

My Commission Expires: November 16, 2006

BETTYE J. YOUNG
OFFICIAL MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
November 16, 2006

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1. I am employed by and an officer of CROSVILLE TELEVIEWE, and
that I am authorized by Board or DIF to execute this affidavit.
2. I certify that <u>CROSSVILLE</u> TOWNER CO receives federal
universal service high-cost support.
3. I further certify that such support will be used only for the provision,
maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended,
consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).
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Subscribed and sworn to me this $\sqrt{\frac{7^{16}}{2002}}$ day of $\sqrt{\frac{2005}{2002}}$.
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I, <u>Gerald Krueger</u>	, being	first dul	y sworn,	depose and state that:
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COUNTY OF Randolph

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- I, Kevin J. Jacobsen, being first duly sworn, depose and state that:
- 1. I am employed by and an officer of Egyptian Telephone Cooperative Association and that I am authorized by Egyptian Telephone Cooperative Association to execute this affidavit.
- 2. I certify that Egyptian Telephone Cooperative
 Association receives federal universal service high-cost support.
- 3. I further certify that such support will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).

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- I, Patrick L. Morse, being first duly sworn, depose and state that:
- 1. I am employed by and an officer of El Paso Telephone Company, and that I am authorized by El Paso Telephone Company to execute this affidavit.
- 2. I certify that El Paso Telephone Company receives federal universal service high-cost support.
- 3. I further certify that such support will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).

Further affiant sayeth not.

Signature

Subscribed and sworn to me this 19th day of August 2005.

My Commission Expires:

November 16, 2006

BETTYE J. YOUNG
OFFICIAL MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
November 16, 2006

STATE OF ILLINOIS)	
)	SS
COUNTY OF Crawford)	

<u>AFFIDAVIT</u>

- I, Kevin J. Jacobsen, being first duly sworn, depose and state that:
- 1. I am employed by and an officer of Flat Rock Telephone Co-Op, Inc. and that I am authorized by Flat Rock Telephone Co-Op, Inc. to execute this affidavit.
- 2. I certify that Flat Rock Telephone Co-Op, Inc. receives federal universal service high-cost support.
- 3. I further certify that such support will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).

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- I, Gregg C. Sayre, being first duly sworn, depose and state that:
- 1. I am employed by and an officer of Frontier Communications of DePue, Inc. and that I am authorized by Frontier Communications of DePue, Inc. to execute this affidavit.
- 2. I certify that Frontier Communications of DePue, Inc. receives federal universal service high-cost support.
- 3. I further certify that such support will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).

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Signature`

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Notary Public

HOLLY M. JAMES
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Monroe County
My Commission Expires Nov. 30, 2006

STATE OF NEW YORK **COUNTY OF MONROE**



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Illinois Commerce Commission CHICAGO OFFICE

- 1, Gregg C. Sayre, being first duly sworn, depose and state that:
- 1. I am employed by and an officer of Frontier Communications of Illinois. Inc. and that I am authorized by Frontier Communications of Illinois, Inc. to execute this affidavit.
- 2. I certify that Frontier Communications of Illinois, Inc. receives federal universal service high-cost support.
- I further certify that such support will be used only for the provision, 3. maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).

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Subscribed and sworn to me this 17th day of August 2005.

Notary Public, State of New York

Qualified in Monroe County

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- I, Gregg C. Sayre, being first duly sworn, depose and state that:
- I am employed by and an officer of Frontier Communications of Lakeside, 1. Inc. and that I am authorized by Frontier Communications of Lakeside, Inc. to execute this affidavit.
- 2. I certify that Frontier Communications of Lakeside, Inc. receives federal universal service high-cost support.
- 3. I further certify that such support will be used only for the provision. maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).

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HOLLY M. JAMES

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Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Monroe County

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Illinois Commerce Commission CHICAGO OFFICE

- I, Gregg C. Sayre, being first duly sworn, depose and state that:
- I am employed by and an officer of Frontier Communications Midland,
 Inc. and that I am authorized by Frontier Communications Midland, Inc. to execute this affidavit.
- 2. I certify that Frontier Communications Midland, Inc. receives federal universal service high-cost support.
- 3. I further certify that such support will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).

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HOLLY M. JAMES
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My Commission Expires Nov. 30,

STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF MONROE



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- I, Gregg C. Sayre, being first duly sworn, depose and state that:
- I am employed by and an officer of Frontier Communications of Mt.
 Pulaski, Inc. and that I am authorized by Frontier Communications of Mt. Pulaski, Inc. to execute this affidavit.
- 2. I certify that Frontier Communications of Mt. Pulaski, Inc. receives federal universal service high-cost support.
- 3. I further certify that such support will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).

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